November 18, 1988



PERFUND PROGRAM

Ms. Susan Swales (5HS-11) Waste Management Division U.S.E.P.A. Region V 230 South Dearborn Street Chicago, IL 60604

Dear Ms. Swales:

Following is the information you requested from Atlas Die, Inc., 2000 Middlebury Street, Elkhart, IN 46516. We have been at this location since 1972.

- 1. a, The type of work performed at this facility is the manufacture of steel rule dies.
- l. b, To support this function we are heavily staffed with programmers and office personnel. The manufacturing process involves designing & programming shapes used by our customers. The shapes are then laser cut in a hard maple piece of wood. These boards are then sent into the diemaking department to have a thin piece of steel inserted into the slots. This steel is purchased in strips approximately 3 foot long and usually less than l" high. The steel strips are cut to size for the slot, shaped and inserted into the die. When that process is finished they are shipped to the customer.

We have another manufacturing process for bonded steel rule dies. This is a die that has a top and bottom of stainless steel. The steel is either cut on the laser or etched at another facility and brought here for assembly. When the top and bottom plates arrive here we weld spacers to the inside. The two plates are then put together and a steel frame is welded to the outside edges. When the framing process is complete the die is ruled as it is with our other dies. After that an epoxy is poured into the framing and allowed to harden. This die is then shipped to the customer.

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- 1. c, Our waste is composed of scrap plywood, paper, oil and steel scraps.
- 1. d, All waste is hauled by private contractors.
- 1. e. Our SIC CODE is 3490.
- 2. To our knowledge, no hazardous wastes are generated. The company that picks up our waste oil is Berreth Oil Company, 1301 W. 6th Street, Mishawaka, IN 46544. Our scrap steel is picked up by Sam Winer and Company, 923 Edwardsburg Ave., Elkhart, IN 46514. The remaining items are removed by Himco. William G. Cork is responsible for making arrangements with the private contractors.

3. No.

Sincerely,

Atlas Die, Inc.

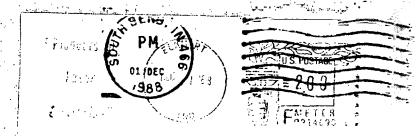
William G. Cork

Personnel/Purchasing Manager

cc: Herb Welsch







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